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TAGS: PFOR, CSCE, SHUM, YO

SUBJECT: SPOKESMAN DECRIES ATTEMPT TO DISCREDIT CSCE HOST

REF: BELGRADE 1505

1. AT FOREIGN SECRETARIAT PRESS CONFERENCE MARCH 14, A SPOKESMAN MIRKO KALEZIC IN A STATEMENT (NOT RESPONDING TO A QUESTION) SAID THAT THE PRESIDENCY OF YUGOSLAVIA ON FEBRUARY 9 HAD CONSIDERED THE PETITION OF A GROUP OF YUGOSLAV CITIZENS REGARDING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE PASSPORT LAW AS WELL AS ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN THROUGH THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION FOR THE "PROTECTION" OF THE RIGHTS OF PROFESSORS OF BELGRADE'S PHILOSOPHICAL FACULTY. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS KALEZIC SAID, "IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THESE ACTIVITIES ARE PART OF AN IDEOLOGICAL-POLITICAL CAMPAIGN OF CERTAIN CIRCLES DESIGNED TO PRESSURE YUGOSLAVIA AND DISCREDIT IT AS THE HOST OF CSCE AND THAT THEY ARE PART OF BROADER INTER-BLOC COMPETITION IN THE PERIOD SINCE HELSINKI."

2. BELGRADE MORNING NEWSPAPERS HEADLINED REPORTS OF  
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PRESS CONFERENCE, WHICH COVERED SEVERAL DIFFERENT ISSUES, "AN ATTEMPT TO DISCREDIT YUGOSLAVIA AS THE HOST OF CSCE" AND "A NEW ATTEMPT TO PRESSURE THE SFYR".

3. COMMENT: AMBASSADOR PESIC MAY RAISE WESTERN HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN IN SIMILAR TERMS DURING CURRENT DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON.

4. FOR GENEVA. DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT  
ATTEMPT TO ASSIST BELGRADE PROFESSORS THROUGH ILO?  
EIGHT PROFESSORS AT THE PHILOSOPHICAL FACULTY WERE  
REMOVED FROM THEIR TEACHING POSITIONS IN 1975 BECAUSE  
OF THEIR CRITICISM OF THE REGIME. FOREIGN PRESS AND DIPLOMATS  
HERE COMPLETELY IN DARK ON KALEZIC'S REFERENCE TO ILO.  
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